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HB 502 HD 1 RELATING TO HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES

Statement for
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HB 502 HD 1 would require owners of non residential properties to inform buyers, leasees or renters of past releases of hazardous materials. In addition renters or leasees of non residential properties will be required to report to the owners any past or future releases of hazardous materials.

Our comments on this bill do not represent an institutional position of the University of Hawaii.

We support the intent of HB 502 HD 1 as it requires owners and users of property to report past as well as future releases of hazardous materials. Furthermore, the quantities released which will require reporting pursuant to section 128D-3 are within an acceptable range. This bill should effectively prevent potentially inappropriate land uses from occurring since disclosure of accidents will be required.